

## TOWN OF ST. LEO

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## **Proclamation 13-04**

Town of St. Leo, Florida

WHEREAS:

One of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow

upon another is the gift of life; and

WHEREAS:

more than 28,000 Americans receive a lifesaving organ transplant

every year; and

WHEREAS:

a new patient is added to the national patient waiting list for an

organ transplant every 10 minutes; and

WHEREAS:

over 117,000 men women and children are currently on the

national waiting list for organ transplantation, of which more than

800 are in the West and Southwest Florida area; and

WHEREAS:

an average of 19 people die every day awaiting an organ transplant

that does not come in time; and

WHEREAS:

one organ, tissue and eye donor can save or enhance the lives of as

many as 60 people; and

WHEREAS:

everyone is a potential organ, eye and tissue donor and can register

their wish to save lives through organ and tissue donation at

www.DonateLifeFlorida.org or on their driver license;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I William E Hamilton, Mayor of the Town of St. Leo, Florida do hereby proclaim the month of April 2013 as **DONATE LIFE MONTH** in the Town of St. Leo and encourage all residents to consider giving life through organ donation and to sign up on Florida's organ and tissue donor registry by visiting <a href="www.DonateLifeFlorida.org">www.DonateLifeFlorida.org</a> or when renewing their driver license or state identification card.

**DULY ADOPTED AND PROCLAIMED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013.

ATTEST:

Joan Miller MMC, Town Clerk

William E. Hamilton, Mayor